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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO 1449. To the best of our knowledge, this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of the above-referenced application.

Most of the documents cited in the PTO-1449 have been made of record in parent application Serial Nos. 09/300,778 and 08/805,804, both of which have since issued but are not yet of record in this case. Copies of any remaining documents should be found in the files of related co-pending commonly-assigned cases U.S. Patent Nos. 5,892,900, 5,910,987, 5,915,019, and 5,917,912, and U.S. patent application Ser. Nos. 08/689,606, 08/689,754, 08/699,712, 08/699,712, 08/778,256, 08/848,077, 08/896,423, 08/964,333, 09/141,618, 09/342,899, and 09/335,465.

Additional copies of the cited references will be submitted to the Examiner upon request. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed

documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If the Examiner applies any of the documents as prior art against any claim in the application and Applicants determine that the cited documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, applicant reserves the right to present to the office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

Applicants further reserve the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

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